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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Dr. Laurence E. Lynn, Jr.  
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**SUBJECT :** 1 October Request

1. Attached for your use and information are two memoranda prepared in response to the request you levied during our 1 October conversation.

(1) The first of these, "North Vietnam's Alternative Means of Maintaining Import Traffic," represents, in effect, an amplification and expansion of the preliminary study of North Vietnam's overland alternatives to seaborne imports that was sent to you on Thursday, 2 October.

(2) The second, "North Vietnamese Capabilities to Counter a US Course of Action" constitutes our response to the analysis you requested of North Vietnam's capacity for quick response to a mining program.

2. These two memoranda were prepared quickly and with the participation of a very limited number of officers to meet your double criteria of speed and security.

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Attachments

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